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For President,
WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT,
of Ohio.For Vice President,
SCHOLCRAFT SHERMAN
of New York.

On September 1st, 1908:

Number of Congress—Eleventh Dis-

trict.

FRANK H. DODDS

Isabella County.

ALMA, CAL.

can Electors of the

of Michigan.

The Light Guard Armory in

city of Detroit, on Tuesday,

day of September, 1908, at 11

o'clock in the forenoon, for the

purpose of nominating candidates for

offices, and for the transaction

of such other business as may prop-

erly come before the convention.

In accordance with the provisions of

the action of the Republican

Central Committee, every coun-

ty is entitled to one delegate for

every hundred and fifty of the

March 27th, and one additional

for a majority of 126 votes or

more.

The 8th day of Sep-

tember, 1908, is hereby designated

as the day on which shall be held in

Alma the county convention of the

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of delegates to the Republican state

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4th ward 2
City of St. Louis— 2
1st ward 2
2nd ward 3
3rd ward 3
4th ward 3
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A. B. DARRAGH, Chairman.
E. J. McCall, Secretary.

Republican Senatorial Convention of the Twenty-fifth District.

A convention of the Republicans of the twenty-fifth senatorial district is hereby called to meet at the City Hall, Alma, Gratiot County, Michigan, Wednesday, September 16, 1908, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for senator, and transacting such other business as may come before the convention.

The several counties comprising the twenty-fifth senatorial district will be entitled to representation in this convention, as follows:

Gratiot 12
Isabella 10
Mecosta 6
K. S. SEARL,
E. J. VAN LEUVEN,
N. O. WARD,
Senatorial Committee.

Readers of The Record should understand that the political announcements of candidates for office which have been appearing in its columns for several weeks past, are the announcements of the candidates themselves, or their friends, which are paid for and do not in any case carry with them the endorsement of the paper. It is intended that every such article shall be designated by certain letters and figures for the guidance of the bookkeeper, but their absence in any case will be due to error.

More of Covell's Record.

The publicity that is being attracted to some incidents in the official record of George Covell, who is posing for the third or fourth time as a candidate for congress in the eleventh district, is leading to still further disclosures as to that spotted record. George Covell introduced, and personally urged the passage through the senate of 1897 of the road machine purchasing act. It has been openly and deliberately charged that money was paid by those who profited through that bill to secure its passage. In its issue of November, 1900, the Roadmaker, published at Port Huron, makes this statement:

"The law is operating to the immediate advantage of those concerned which were instrumental in its adoption, while in some parts of the state townships can be found nearly bankrupt as the result of this law. The Roadmaker heard a well-known road machine man say that it had cost one company thousands of dollars to secure this legislation, and he evidenced no little satisfaction at the result."

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Be sure you register Saturday, August 29, then get out and vote on Tuesday, September 1st.

The Tustin Times of last week, in speaking of Francis H. Dodds, said: "Straight-forward and square-dealing in all that he does and says. That is what is known to be true of Frank H. Dodds, and it is because this is true of him that those who know him throughout the eleventh district are most earnestly urging his nomination as the Republican candidate for congress. A vote for Frank H. Dodds at the primary election on the first day of September will be an action creditable to yourself and helpful to the Republican party and to our district and the state."

PUBLISHED NEXT WEEK.

"Covell's reply to Powers will be published next week." That information was given last week through several of the Covell newspapers. Why did Covell wait more than three weeks before replying to Powers' charges? Why does he hold his alleged reply until the last publication of the last week of the primary election campaign, too late to have it reviewed or dissected? The republicans of the eleventh congressional district know why.

The charges against George Covell have consisted entirely in references to his official record. He did not need a minute's thought to know whether they were true or false. If they had been untrue he could have so promptly and so intelligently directed attention to the facts as to have made their publication an actual help to him rather than a hurt.

The republicans of the eleventh congressional district know that definitely stated charges would not have been made if there was any doubt as to their truth. They were made openly and early. Not a single one of them has been disproven. George Covell would not have waited three weeks to reply to charges against him that were not true.

Some attempts to reply and to deny have been made for Mr. Covell, but they have done his case more harm than good. They have sought to direct attention away from the items of his official record on which the charges against Covell were based but they have not disturbed or weakened a single one of the references to George Covell's record.

If there are republicans in the eleventh district who yet have honest doubts as to the facts regarding Covell's record, they should give their district and their state and their party the benefit of the doubt. They can vote for a man against whose integrity and truthfulness and honesty no question has ever been raised. The nomination of Frank H. Dodds as the eleventh district republican candidate for congress will be a solution of the problem now confronting the voters of that district which will be helpful to their party, helpful to the state, creditable to their district and desirable to every worthy interest involved.

VOTERS, ATTENTION.

There will be no township caucuses this year.

There will be no county convention to nominate county officers this year.

The governor, lieutenant governor, congressman, representative in the state legislature and all county officers will be nominated at the primary election to be held in each voting precinct in this state on Tuesday, the 1st day of September, 1908.

No person can take part in the nomination of these officers unless he is properly enrolled in his party. Those who are not enrolled can do so on Saturday, August 29th, 1908.

The members of the board of enrollment for the townships are the supervisor, treasurer and township clerk.

Don't forget to enroll, and be sure to attend the primary election Tuesday, September 1st, 1908, for there will be no caucuses.

A voter may fill out an enrollment blank and present it to any member of the enrollment board any time before August 29, which will insure proper registration. If a blank is not thus filled out and presented, then the voter must attend the session of the board on August 29th.

RECEIVED THEIR REWARD.

A large number of the members of the senate and house of 1897, who aided in keeping the railroads from paying taxes and in thwarting Mr. Pinckney's efforts in the interest of ad valorem taxation for the benefit of the people were well cared for.

Senator Covell was made district attorney for the western district of Michigan.

Senator Preston was made revenue collector at Port Huron.

Senator Wescott was made inspector of vessels at Port Huron.

Senator Latimer was made door-keeper in the United States senate.

Honorable William T. Gordon, speaker of the house, was made United States attorney for the eastern district of Michigan.

United States district attorneys and other federal appointments came thick and fast just after the close of the senate of 1897.

BRADLEY HEADQUARTERS.

Detroit, Michigan.

On Tuesday, September 1st, the Republicans of Michigan will have their first opportunity to choose their candidate for governor by direct vote.

The welfare of the state and party alike demand that there be the fullest expression possible at the primaries. No one is more anxious than Dr. Bradley that every Republican voter shall go to the polls on that day and register his preference for governor.

Some seem to entertain the impression that the registration which entitles him to vote at an election also qualifies them to vote at the party primary. This is a mistake and may result in the disfranchisement of thou-

sands of voters at the primaries. Every elector should remember that in order to vote at the party primary September 1st he must first enroll Saturday, August 29th, unless enrolled for the party primary two years ago. This enrollment is entirely distinct from the registration required in order to vote at the general election November 3d.

The candidate who receives the highest vote, not less than 40 per cent of the vote cast at the primary, September 1st, will be the nominee of the party.

This is the best opportunity possible to give the primary system a rigid test, and it seems to me that the importance of the primary is worthy of some sacrifice on the part of the electors in order that they may be qualified to vote by enrolling August 29th.

J. W. McCAUSEY.

BRADLEY FOR GOVERNOR.

There has been sweeping through the country a wave of reform. It is not the will of fanatics, nor the cry of sentimentalists, but the sober demand of the electorate for a higher standard of civic honesty. The demand is not only timely, but should be welcomed by every man who has an interest in his commonwealth.

Affairs of state are the affairs of the people, and it is a healthy sign to note that people generally are troubling themselves to get in closer touch with public affairs. Indeed, there can be no greater safeguard than when the people scrutinize matters of public moment, especially those things which involve the expenditure of large sums of money from the public funds.

Michigan is one of the big states of the union, and its internal affairs have reached a magnitude that demand the highest grade of ability obtainable. In other words, it is a plain business proposition.

Electors, you will get out of a proposition just what you put in. If you are content to have your affairs handled by professional politicians why complain?

But you are complaining, and justly so, and complaints are ringing from coast to coast. Victory rests with you. It is a battle of the ballot. You nominate the man you want. See that you want the man best fitted to serve you.

The question of financing the State of Michigan has become a stupendous one, and the taxpayers have to foot the bill. Economy, honesty and capability are the elements that must be looked for. Since Michigan became a state, a little more than 70 years ago, the sum of \$78,357,652.17 has been apportioned in taxes to be borne by the general property of the state. This is exclusive of the taxes paid by the railroads and other corporations, the latter being a separate source of income. Of this amount \$25,001,800.05, or practically one-third of all taxes apportioned since Michigan became a state, have been apportioned in the last eight years.

Think of this tremendous increase in such a short period of time, and figure out what it means to the taxpayer. Somewhere a halt must be called, for the expenses of the state have reached a point where business economy is an absolute necessity.

A new broom sweeps clean. Michigan will adopt a revised constitution at the fall election. It also needs a revised administration.

At the primaries next Tuesday place an X in the square before the name of James B. Bradley for governor and you will get what you want, a clean and economical administration.

WHAT HE WAS A MEMBER OF.

George Covell is vehemently denying "immortal nineteen." He is holding on to that fact as a drowning man grasps for a straw. No one at all familiar with state transactions has made any such claim in his behalf or made such a charge against him.

But he was a member of the nineteen that voted to kill the bill repealing the Michigan Central charter. He was one of the fourteen that prevented the passage of the bill in the senate of 1907 to reduce railroad fares in the upper peninsula from 4 to 3 cents, and he was one of the twelve that even refused to permit that bill to be further considered at that session. He was the introducer and pusher of the miserable road machine bill, concerning which reference is elsewhere made, and solitary and alone he temporarily resigned his federal job in order to return to Lansing to further serve his corporation masters.

George Covell missed not a single opportunity to serve the corporations and to betray his constituents. He had no chance to take part in the movements of the immortal nineteen. But he did the most and the worst he could with the opportunity that was given him.—Cadillac News and Express.

BIDS WANTED.

Bids for the construction of the addition to the Riverdale school house at Riverdale. Plans can be obtained of W. H. Owen, of Riverdale. A certified check for \$50 must accompany all bids. Contract will be awarded to lowest bidder September 8th.

Hammocks at cost. Geo. E. Shar-rar.

VEGETABLES.

BEETS CARROTS
TOMATOES GREEN CORN
EGG PLANT GREEN PEPPERS
SUMMER SQUASH

Sweet Potatoes

MEDLER'S SANITARY STORE.

BOTH PHONES.

TEA, COFFEE, ETC.

KARAVAN COFFEES
WHITE HOUSE COFFEE
KARAVAN TEAS
DAFODIL TEAS, NATIONAL
BISCUIT CO'S BEST CRACKERS
SPANISH OLIVES qt. jar 25c

FRUITS.

GRAPES PLUMS
PEACHES APPLES
ORANGES LEMONS
WATERMELONS

LAST WEEK FOR BLACK-BERRIES

GROCERIES.

SNIDER'S PORK AND BEANS
SINDER'S CATSUP
CANNED SALMON
DAFODIL'S CANNED GOODS
QUAKER OATS
MAPLE FLARES

Galvanic Soap

It has been claimed for George Covell that he voted for primary elections back in the year 1877. That is a characteristic bit of Covell deception. The bill he voted for was to permit the holding of primaries in cities of not less than 15,000 inhabitants and not over 150,000. This bill had been asked for by the representatives of the particular city interested. There was no opposition to it and every vote cast was in its favor. It had no relation to general primary elections and his effort to have it so accepted is following the usual Covell tactics.

The Alma Journal and the Carson City Gazette feel badly because F. H. Dodds made a tour of southern Gratiot and was accompanied by Congressman Darragh. Well, Mr. Dodds is somewhat handicapped in the line of touring parties, for Covell secured the services of Bill Leet and Tom Clark early in the campaign and Mr. Dodds is forced to fall back on such men as A. B. Darragh and Judge Kelly S. Searl. But it is downright mean to twist Mr. Dodds of his company.—St. Louis Independent.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY



To the voters of Gratiot County.

I take this means of announcing to the voters of Gratiot County that I am a candidate for re-nomination for Prosecuting Attorney on the Republican ticket at the primaries to be held on the first day of September, 1908.

I am now nearing the close of my first term. It has been my aim to enforce the observance of all our laws in a reasonable, consistent and economical manner, to the end that peace and good order might exist in every community. If re-nominated and re-elected, I shall continue the same policy.

I shall greatly appreciate the support of all my friends throughout the County and all those who have confidence in the manner in which the affairs of the office of Prosecuting Attorney have been conducted during the past two years.

JOHN M. EVERDEN.

Ithaca, July 25th, 1908.

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A "See What You Get" campaign is being pushed throughout the State of Michigan by the B. J. Johnson Soap company to advertise "Galvanic" soap. Every Friday a big display ad. is run in all the daily papers of the state advertising this soap. Attached to each ad. is a coupon entitling the bearer to a trial of this soap. These coupons will be redeemed at Medler's sanitary store. The ads. appear in the Detroit Free Press, News and Journal, the Grand Rapids Herald, Press and News, and the Saginaw Evening News. Bring in your coupons and Medler will redeem them.

Register and enroll Saturday, August 29th, and vote for Francis H. Dodds, of Isabella County, Tuesday, September 1st.

West End Grocery

Staple and Fancy Groceries Fruits and Vegetables.

orton's Buster Brown
and Shaker Bread
Nothing Beats It

Prompt Delivery to any Part of the City
BOTH PHONES

Bell 257

Union 115

W. F. CHEDISTER,

205 W. Superior St.

Alma, Mich.

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PERE MARQUETTE

ON

Sunday Sept. 6

TO

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Train will leave Alma at
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\$1.25 Round Trip \$1.25

70c GREENVILLE 70c

or BELDING

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The best time of the year to visit

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TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL
OHIO EXCURSION.

The Ann Arbor railroad will give its 23rd Annual Ohio Excursion Tuesday, September 29th. Watch this paper for rates and time of special trains, and begin your preparations for a visit to your old home in the Buckeye State.

Eat at the Blue Front

HOME COOKING
HOMEMADE PIES

Smacking Good!

Try Our

FARMER'S 10 CENT LUNCH

Clark's
Self-Rising Bread--Fresh
Daily

The Blue Front Restaurant

MRS. A. McCARTY, Prop.

(First Insertion Aug. 23.)

ORDER OF HEARING.

State of Michigan, County of Gratiot, ss:
At a Session of the Probate Court for said County, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Ithaca, on the 20th day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred eight.

Present, Isaac S. Seaver, Judge of Probate.
In the Matter of the Estate of
JAMES SWAIN, Deceased.

On reading and filing the petition duly verified, of R. H. Mott & Co., creditors of said deceased, praying that the administration of said estate be granted to Success Six or to some other suitable person.

Thereupon it is ordered, That Monday, the 25th day of September next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that heirs-at-law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be held at the Probate Office in the Village of Ithaca and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered, That said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Alma Record a newspaper published and circulated in said county three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

ISAAC S. SEAVAR, Judge of Probate.
(A true copy.)